108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 23

Urging the President to request the United States International Trade Commission to take certain actions with respect to the temporary safeguards on imports of certain steel products, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 29, 2003

Mr. Knollenberg (for himself, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Dooley of California, Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. Biggert, Mr. Boehner, Mr. Brady of Texas, Mr. Burr, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Camp, Mr. Crane, Mr. Davis of Florida, Mr. Demint, Mr. Dreier, Ms. Dunn, Mr. Ehlers, Mr. Flake, Mr. Frelinghuysen, Mr. Gillmor, Mr. Herger, Mr. Hoekstra, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Issa, Mrs. Johnson of Connecticut, Mr. Kennedy of Minnesota, Mr. Kind, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Kolbe, Mr. Latourette, Mr. Leach, Mr. Lewis of Kentucky, Mr. Lucas of Kentucky, Mr. McCotter, Mr. Paul, Mr. Pence, Mr. Platts, Ms. Pryce of Ohio, Mr. Ramstad, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Shays, Mr. Smith of Michigan, Mr. Tiberi, Mr. Towns, Mr. Upton, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Petri, Mr. Bass, and Mr. Gary G. Miller of California) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Urging the President to request the United States International Trade Commission to take certain actions with respect to the temporary safeguards on imports of certain steel products, and for other purposes.

Whereas the President, upon investigation and recommendation by the United States International Trade Commission, on March 5, 2002, proclaimed temporary tariff increases and tariff rate quotas on certain steel imports;

Whereas many United States manufacturing sectors have reported that the temporary tariff increases and tariff-rate quotas have disrupted the availability of input steel;

Whereas both a strong domestic steel industry and a strong domestic manufacturing base are vital to our national defense and economic security;

Whereas neither the President nor the United States International Trade Commission could fully anticipate the positive or negative effects of the temporary safeguards proclaimed on March 5, 2002; and

Whereas section 204 of the Trade Act of 1974 requires that the United States International Trade Commission "shall monitor developments with respect to the domestic industry, including the progress and specific efforts made by workers and firms in the domestic industry to make a positive adjustment to import competition" and submit a report on this monitoring to the President and the Congress not later than September 20, 2003: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate 2 concurring), That the Congress—
- 3 (1) recognizes that a strong domestic steel in-4 dustry and strong domestic manufacturing base are 5 vital to national defense and economic security; and
- 6 (2) urges the President to request the United 7 States International Trade Commission, in addition 8 to monitoring and reporting on the items enumer-

ated in section 204 of the Trade Act of 1974, with respect to the tariff increases and tariff rate quotas proclaimed by the President on March 5, 2002, on certain steel imports, also to monitor and report on the impact of the temporary safeguards on domestic steel consuming industries.

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